Central Directorate of Criminal Police Crime Analysis Service













INITIATIVES



Established on February 24, 2012

COMPOSITION OF RENEWED MONITORING CENTRE

POLICE FORCE



CUSTOM AGENCY

Society and private organizations representing companies

- ✓ Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane S.p.a.
 - ✓ Telecom S.p.a.
 - ✓ Enel. S.p.a.
 - ✓ Vodafone Omnitel B.V.
 - ✓ Confindustria
 - ✓ Anie *National Federation of Electrotechnical and Electronics*



"National Monitoring Centre on Copper Thefts " TASKS

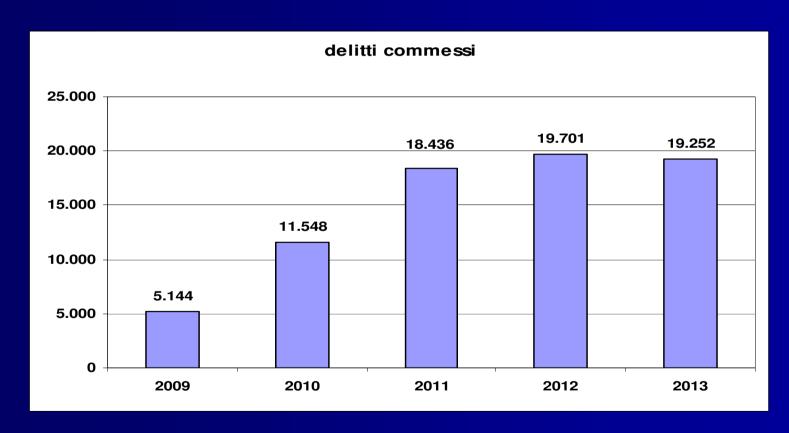
Monitor, assess and analyse the copper theft phenomenon, including the exploration of possible links between copper thefts and domestic and international organised crime

Propose appropriate strategies to prevent and fight the crime

Propose initiatives for amendment or adoption of legislation

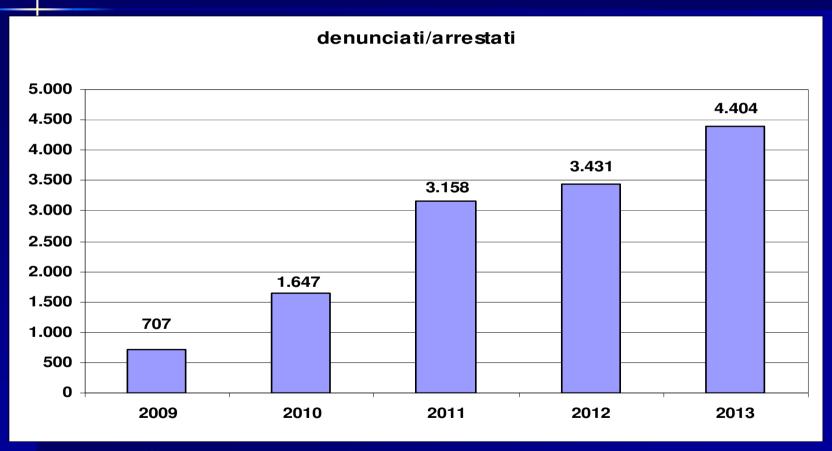
Promote advertising campaigns to raise awareness of the phenomenon

Trend of crime



In 2013, copper thefts in Italy were 19,252, a decrease of 2.3% compared to 19 701 in 2012.

Law enforcement efforts 2009 - 2013

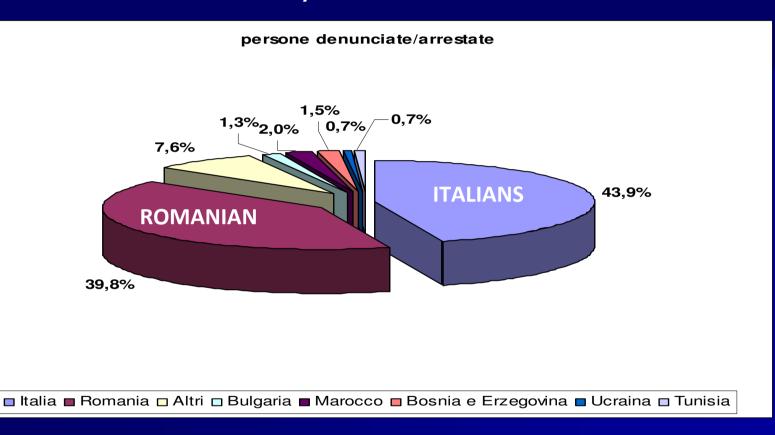


In 2013, reported/arrested people were 4,404, an increase of 28.4% compared to 3,431 in 2012. Those arrested were 2,514 (+19.8%).



OFFENDER FROFILE

Nationality of offenders



Italian \longrightarrow 43.9% Romanian \longrightarrow 39.8%



LEGISLATIVE INTERVENTION

What has changed compared to the past?

BEFORE

SIMPLE THEFT

Imprisonment from 6 months to 3 years Fine ranging form EUR 154 to EUR 516

NOW

AGGRAVATED THEFT



Imprisonment from 1 to 6 years
Fine ranging from
EUR 103 to EUR 1.032

RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS

Imprisonment from **2** to **8** years
Fine ranging from
EUR **516** to EUR **10.329**



PUNISHMENT INCREASED UP TO 1/3

AGGRAVATION

ARREST MANDATORY IN FLAGRANCY

ACTION DAY CAMPANIA



Controls: 1,560 people, 839 vehicles, 19 companies.



Results: 3 people arrested, 29 people reported, 3,159 kg. Copper seized

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SYRIANA OPERATION

"Scrapping" Machine



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Chop Copper Machine



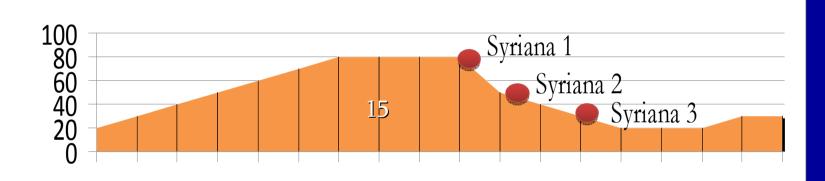
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Final Product



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SYRIANA

15 may 2013: 5.5 tons copper seized

4 people arrested

28 may 2013: 12 tons copper seized

3 people arrested (action day)

1 & 7 june 2013: 3.2 tons copper seized

8 people reported

1 april 2014: 30 tons copper seized

Amount of seized goods: 1,000,000 euros

24 people arrested

Total 50.7 tons copper seized – 39 people arrested

ORGANIZED CRIME GROUPS

However the most important investigations let us know in Italy OCGs are somehow linked to copper theft

In the past we had evidence that people involved in mafia groups had interest in fencing of stolen copper.

Considering the high economic interests around the copper, we can not exclude further involvements of organized crime of mafia type



KNOWLEDGE OF THE PHENOMENON

http://www.interno.gov.it/mininterno/export/sites/default/it/temi/sicurezza/sottotema011.html http://www.interno.gov.it/mininterno/export/sites/default/it/assets/files/27/2013_12_20_EBOOK_ENEL_S.PA.pdf



Training activity

POLICE SCHOOL DEPARTMENTS

DIDACTIC ACTIVITY POST-TRAINING FOR POLICE OFFICERS

NATIONAL UNIT OF EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE (CEPOL) planning 2015

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1 ST National Conference on copper thefts

Rome november 22, 2013



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